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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices in New York and the Midwest region were unchanged on all sizes. Elsewhere, prices were slightly lower on medium eggs and unchanged on the larger sizes when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone ranged steady to about steady beginning the week. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available, at times ample on the lighter weight eggs. Breaking stock supplies were irregular and ranged barely adequate to fully adequate for the light demand. Light type fowl were usually sufficient for a moderate to good demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Cartoned demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was usually light. Supplies were adequate to available for the larger sizes and fully adequate for ample for medium and small. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was usually fair. Offerings remained fully adequate to ample for the lighter weight breaking stock and adequate for the heavy breaking stock. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE		MOSTLY	
EXTRA LARGE	49-59		50-56	
LARGE	48-58		49-52	
MEDIUM	18-28		20-23	

IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.			
	RANGE		MOSTLY
LARGE	31-40		35
MEDIUM	7-11		9
SMALL	5-7		

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were slightly lower on medium eggs and unchanged on the larger sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady entering the week. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for immediate trade requirements. Breaking stock demand was reported as mostly light for barely adequate to adequate offerings. Spent hens were usually adequate for less than normal slaughter schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	56-75	60-64
LARGE	50-64	55-59
MEDIUM	22-35	27-29

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged for extra large and large and 2 cents lower for medium. Trade sentiment was about steady. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was mostly light. Supplies of larger sizes were adequate to available and were fully adequate to ample for medium. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings remained fully adequate to ample for light weight shell eggs and adequate for heavier breaking stock. Demand was usually fair. Floor stocks were adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	61.5-70	63-66
LARGE	56.5-65	58-61
MEDIUM	25.5-34	27-30

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Weekly prices were higher on the larger sizes and unchanged on medium when compared to the previous week. The market tone was usually steady following the holiday weekend. Demand was moderate to fairly good. Supplies were close to available with the larger sizes in the tightest position. Breaking stock supplies were sufficient for the mostly light demand. Light type fowl were fully adequate to ample for a moderate to good demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	55.5-63	57-60
LARGE	53.25-61	55-58
MEDIUM	24.5-32	25-29

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged when compared to Friday's report. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady beginning the week. Demand into all channels was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for immediate trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	64-68
LARGE	62-66
MEDIUM	34-38

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	56-65	58-62
LARGE	55-64	56-58
MEDIUM	25-34	28-30

see page 3 for prices on certified organic eggs in cartons

WESTERN Prices unchanged. The Pacific region inventory was 2% lower than last week with California down 1% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 3%. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings easily adequate.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The California inventory was 1% lower than last week. Retailer demand light moderate, best where increased major feature activity planned. Offerings fully adequate. Small benchmark price 41.

California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	116
EXTRA LARGE	104
LARGE	92
MEDIUM	61

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
	RANGE	RANGE
JUMBO	259-309	
EXTRA LARGE	219-289	NOT AVAILABLE
LARGE	199-229	
MEDIUM	179-199	

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 15, 2005 will decrease by 7 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 08, 2005 were 251,639 cases which was 14 percent above the prior week and 6 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	216,721	34,918	251,639
% change from the prior week.....	+19	-11	+14

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Demand was usually fair. Offerings remained adequate to ample for light shell eggs and adequate for heavier breaking stock. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	21-23	23
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	10-14	10-12
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings from production areas. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
11-JUL-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-16 CENTS/LB.	12-13.5	12.69
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to moderate for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product were generally adequate for current needs. The undertone was mostly steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
11-JUL-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-15.75 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.05
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- JULY 11, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO		5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.0	10.5	4.3	10.3	8.7	41.8
	Change	-0.4	1.6	-0.3	-1.3	-1.1	-3%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	24.6	38.4	12.8	22.6	34.9	133.3
	Change	2.8	6.9	-1.5	-4.5	1.3	4%
Large	Curr Wk	48.2	133.2	58.0	97.4	87.0	423.8
	Change	-8.2	29.5	-3.6	-19.9	5.4	1%
Medium	Curr Wk	17.7	58.5	20.0	32.5	29.6	158.3
	Change	2.8	-3.4	0.0	0.1	-3.9	-3%
Small	Curr Wk	13.5	17.7	4.2	10.5	5.0	50.9
	Change	3.5	-2.1	0.8	2.5	-1.1	8%
Misc	Curr Wk	7.2	42.8	7.7	14.9	8.1	80.7
	Change	2.5	7.0	-2.3	1.6	1.9	15%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	17.6	58.4	21.2	33.6	26.0	156.8
	Change	-1.0	19.0	2.2	-19.9	-5.9	-3%
Total Percent	Curr Wk	136.8	359.5	128.2	221.8	199.3	1045.6
	Change	1%	19%	-4%	-16%	-2%	1%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	1045.6	1%	175
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	278.1	3%	35
Total Shell Egg	1323.7	1%	210

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday a.m. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 27, 2005

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.86	1.83	1.74	1.16

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF JUNE 27, 2005 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.42	1.42	1.32	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JULY 08, 2005

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS											
25.00								11.25								36.25											
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW				LOADS			
CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST		ORG	DST		ORG	DST			
GNR W 1	35.00	—		35.50	37.00	—	—	2.00	GNR W 1	—	38.00	—	—	—	—	2.00	GNR W 1	—	38.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00	
GL W XL	—	—		—	54.00	41.84	—	13.50	GL W XL	—	—	—	56.00	—	51.62	8.25	GL W XL	—	—	—	56.00	—	51.62	—	51.62	8.25	
GL W LG	—	—		43.00	44.00	41.73	—	5.75	GL W LG	—	—	—	55.25	—	48.00	6.75	GL W LG	—	—	—	55.25	—	48.00	—	48.00	6.75	
GL W MD	—	—		—	—	15.00	—	.25	GL W MD	15.00	18.00	—	25.50	—	22.80	3.25	GL W MD	15.00	18.00	—	25.50	—	22.80	—	22.80	3.25	
GL W SM	16.38	19.75		13.00	15.88	—	—	4.00	GL BR LG	—	—	—	48.25	—	—	.75	GL BR LG	—	—	—	48.25	—	—	—	—	.75	
GL BR LG	—	—		—	—	34.25	—	.75	NRBS - 48	21.50	—	—	—	—	—	3.00	NRBS - 48	21.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00	
NRBS - 48	—	—		—	—	—	23.00	3.00																			

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 07/04/05-07/10/05

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
91.25								60.25								151.50							
		SE		NE		MW					SC		NW		SW								
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS								
GNR W 1	35.67	—	35.88	37.39	—	37.00	14.00	GNR W 1	—	41.40	—	—	—	52.50	11.00								
GNR W 2	—	—	34.50	36.00	—	—	2.00	GL W J	—	59.00	—	—	—	66.00	2.25								
GL W J	—	—	59.50	61.00	53.11	—	4.25	GL W XL	47.00	52.47	—	56.00	—	53.30	15.25								
GL W XL	—	51.67	51.00	53.31	43.47	46.00	37.50	GL W LG	36.67	45.69	—	56.20	—	47.62	18.75								
GL W LG	—	50.25	43.25	44.50	41.44	54.50	25.50	GL W MD	14.50	18.67	—	25.58	—	22.57	9.50								
GL W MD	21.00	19.00	—	25.75	15.10	17.00	6.25	GL BR LG	—	—	—	48.25	—	—	1.75								
GL W SM	17.44	20.63	14.00	16.52	—	—	9.75	NRBS - 48	21.50	—	—	—	—	—	3.00								
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	34.25	—	2.75	NRBS - 42	14.00	15.00	—	—	—	—	2.00								
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	25.00	—	23.00	24.00																
NRBS - 42	—	13.00	—	—	16.00	14.83	8.00																
NRBS - 39	—	—	15.75	17.75	—	14.00	14.00																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	07/04/05	06/27/05	07/05/04
PACIFIC COAST	268	296	294
LOS ANGELES	262	290	245

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady on all sizes. Supplies are tight on extra large, adequate on others. Retail demand is fairly good.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	78.63
LARGE	71.63
MEDIUM	43.18
SMALL	35.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 260	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

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